Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The state of South Dakota and the Army National Guard owe a debt of gratitude to Sergeant First Class Chester L. Robbins for serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Chester L. Robbins has devoted more than 31 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a Crew Chief and Flight Engineer, including service in Iraq and many state activations in support of fire fighting operations, flood and blizzard emergency rescue operations and other natural disasters; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Robbins continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Sergeant First Class Chester L. Robbins for more than 31 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 31, 2007, as

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in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirty-first Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State